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Our Furs are the very best for the money that the town has ever held.

Brook Mink, River Mink, Imitation Japanese Fox, Marten, Squirrel, Opossum, Raccoon, Sable Fox, Isabella Fox, &c.

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"Special" because they're better stockings for the prices than you can get anywhere else. Women's Black Cotton Hose, white feet, 10c pair.

Women's Black Medium-Weight and Gause Cotton Hose, the latter an imported stocking. Hermsdorf dyed. Sold everywhere but here for 25c—our price, 21c pair.

"Bursen Hose," made with elastic top and narrow ankle. No seams over the toe. Everybody sells them for 15c and 16c pair, excepting ourselves, 12 1/2c pair.

"No Mend" Knee Hose for boys, linen knee, heel and toe. Nothing at the price as good for boys' wear—25c pair.

Miller & Rhoads

May Manton Patterns, 10c. each on sale in our Trimming Department.

BEST WEEK OF TOBACCO SALES

Seven Hundred Thousand Pounds Sold at Tip Top Prices.

GOOD SEASON SETTING IN

Warm Rain Which Begun Yesterday Will Stir Farmers Up.

Yesterday closed the best week's sales in the Richmond loose tobacco market for the new season, about 700,000 pounds being auctioned during the week. The high price record was moved up several dollars, too, both Shookoe and Crenshaw's Warehouses selling lots as high as \$21 per hundred pounds. The record price was made at both houses on Thursday, Shookoe selling a lot for C. A. Taylor, of Hanover, for \$24. Yesterday Shookoe's Warehouse broke the season's record for high averages, selling a lot for J. D. Nunnally, of Chesterfield, at an average per pound of eighteen cents. The highest price yesterday was at the same house, a lot selling for \$21.50, belonging to Mr. Nunnally.

Despite the high prices for fine grades of long leaf, a slight decline in the medium grades was noted yesterday. This is attributed to the large quantity of the same grade offered during the week. It is expected that the steady demand will cause prices to rebound to the highest notch again Monday.

Fine Season in Prospect.

Shelburne's Warehouse yesterday sold nearly 70,000 pounds of Shookoe, about 50,000 of Stonewall, nearly 25,000 of Crenshaw's, 20,000 of a total of about 165,000 pounds.

The warm rain that set in yesterday gives promise of a fine season, unless a change to colder weather comes immediately. It might even be a little warmer than a good season. Nearly all the markets in the State have now gotten away, Lynchburg being one of the latest, owing to the want of a season in the vicinity tributary to that city. A prolonged drought has prevailed there, and is not yet broken. During November Danville sold nearly seven million pounds, and is still selling at a good rate. South Boston has had a fine business this far, sales in that town last Friday aggregating 700,000 pounds in a single day.

Among the well known leaf tobacco dealers of the State in this city yesterday was Mr. George A. Lea, of Danville. Mr. Lea has long been connected with the tobacco trade of this city.

The order of sales for next Tuesday is as follows: Shookoe, Crenshaw, Shelburne, Stonewall.

Captain E. T. Kindred.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) ROANOKE, Va., Dec. 2.—Captain E. T. Kindred died this morning at his home, near the city, after a long illness, aged 76 years. He was a native of Texas, and has resided in this section since the war. He is survived by his wife and five children, three daughters and two sons.

...COUPON...

The Times-Dispatch Popular Preacher's Contest.

A magnificent four-volume set of Tisot's Life of Christ to be presented free to some Virginia minister.

I vote for Rev. _____

Pastor of _____ Church,

Post Office _____

Contest begins November 20th, ends December 19th at 6 o'clock P. M.

Address, Popular Preacher Contest, Times-Dispatch, Richmond, Va.

FREE LECTURES ATTENDANCE

Addresses at Union Theological Seminary Were of a High Order.

JOHN RICE AND MOSES HOGE

Lives of These Noted Presbyterians Declared to be an Inspiration.

The opening session of the eastern division of the Y. M. C. A. of Theological Seminaries was attended by a splendid audience which filled Waits Chapel at Union Seminary yesterday afternoon at 8:30 o'clock. A representative assembly of delegates were present, and they and the speakers and other visitors were given a cordial welcome to Richmond and the seminary community.

Rev. J. Ross Stevenson, D. D., of New York, presided and opened the conference. President Walter W. Moore delivered the address of welcome in a most appropriate manner, with especial emphasis upon the lives of two great leaders in the forward movement of the nineteenth century in religious, and, particularly, mission work in the South. Rev. Dr. John Holt Rice, the founder and former president of Union Theological Seminary, and a pioneer in the great work of foreign missions, and Rev. Dr. Moses D. Hoge, whose services in securing from abroad during the blockade in 1861-65, a vast number of Bibles for the soldiers of the South should be an inspiration to every laborer in the splendid effort now being made to send the gospel to all the world.

In closing, Dr. Moore reverted to Dr. Rice and impressively recalled this Christian nobleman's dying message to the ministerial student—a message which seemed especially timely at this time. "Never let zeal for active service interfere with private devotion."

No Word Wasted.

Dr. Moore was followed by Mr. Robert E. Spear, of New York, secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Northern Presbyterian Church. Mr. Spear is without an equal as a speaker to young men long, and his address was a masterpiece of spiritual life for which he is noted. The basis of his address was Hebrews, 12:1, and his message was a gem of concise simplicity and noble and practical spiritual ideals for the regulation of the life and thought of the man who is called to the Christian race, and who should run stripped of every weight, with the eye fixed upon the great ideal of all worthy effort—Jesus Christ.

In the evening, from 5:30 to 7:30, a reception was tendered at the Seminary Library building, and theological students from many of the northeastern seminaries were given a most hearty welcome by their brethren of the South and their fair lady friends, many of whom graced the occasion by their presence.

Evangelizing the World.

At 8 o'clock last night, Mr. John R. Mott, of New York, secretary of the World's Student Federation, addressed an audience that filled the Seminary auditorium. Mr. Mott represents an organization of world-wide dimensions, composed of eleven national and international societies, with a membership of over 100,000 in all the principal cities of the world, and of all Christian denominations. He has traveled extensively among these, and is wielding a powerful influence in the strengthening of the forces for "The Evangelization of the World in This Generation." This was the subject of his address last evening and his appeal in behalf of the international movement of such a movement when adopted as a watchword, not only by official organization, but especially by each individual Christian worker at home and abroad, was deeply impressive in its eloquence, earnestness and strong spiritual tone.

At 10:30 o'clock yesterday Mr. Mott entertained at luncheon at the Jefferson seven prominent ministers and Seminary and university presidents. The special object of this gathering was to discuss and advise concerning the growing need for more young men in the ministerial ranks and how this need may best be supplied. The interest in the discussion was most satisfactory and definite results are expected along the line indicated.

To-day's Programme.

This morning and afternoon conferences will be held to consider problems of special interest to ministers and theological students. These conferences begin at 9 A. M. and continue throughout the day with short intermissions. They will be led by Mr. Mott, Mr. Harlan P. Beach and Dr. Hottel.

To-night at 8 o'clock Rev. Dr. O. Clay Tilley, of Winston-Salem, N. C., will speak at the Seminary on "Colored Evangelization."

BANK CLEARINGS.

Report of Bradstreet for Week Ending December 1st.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—The following table, compiled by Bradstreet, shows the bank clearings of a number of principal cities for the week ending December 1st, with the percentage of increase and decrease from the corresponding week last year. Sixty-three other cities are included in the total:

New York, \$2,181,764,651; increase, 61.9. Chicago, \$1,059,569,450; increase, 52.4. Boston, \$1,057,485; increase, 19.7. Philadelphia, \$1,011,533,711; increase, 11.1. St. Louis, \$3,082,243; decrease, 7.1. Pittsburgh, \$1,002,181; decrease, 23.3. San Francisco, \$3,972,731; decrease, 47.1. Baltimore, \$2,702,183; increase, 13.3. Cincinnati, \$2,549,302; increase, 9.6. Kansas City, \$2,222,005; increase, 19.1. New Orleans, \$2,583,341; increase, 8.3. Louisville, \$2,160,582; increase, 7.7. Memphis, \$1,122,460; increase, 13.1. Richmond, \$2,435,291; increase, 12.4. Washington, \$2,271,731; increase, 20.3. Savannah, \$3,310,223; increase, 11.8. Portland, \$2,220,331; increase, 8.3. Atlanta, \$3,718,721; increase, 12.5. Nashville, \$2,802,548; increase, 28.4. Norfolk, \$2,292,834; increase, 14.1. Augusta, Ga., \$2,405,139; increase, 29.8. Birmingham, \$1,786,889; increase, 25.0. Knoxville, \$1,291,371; decrease, 9.0. Little Rock, \$1,200,418; increase, 8.3. Miami, \$2,137,572; increase, 10.1. Chattanooga, \$2,001,008; increase, 5.1. Jacksonville, Fla., \$1,750,688; increase, 11.8. Houston, \$1,540,092; increase, 13.9. Charleston, \$1,438,304; increase, 25.2. Totals United States, \$3,155,009,810; increase, 42.1. Outside New York, \$1,908,201,946; increase, 42.2. Total Canada, \$49,037,772; increase, 24.7.

DEFICIT CAUSED BY RURAL ROUTES

Postal Service, However, Has Hope of Being Some Day Self-Supporting.

TOTAL RECEIPTS \$143,582,624

Bristow Recommends Smaller Rate for Delivery of Packages.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., December 2.—An increased deficiency of \$248 per cent. over the previous year is shown by the financial statement for the postal service incorporated in the annual report of E. C. Madden, third assistant postmaster-general, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1904. The report shows, however, that the increase in expenditures on account of the rural free delivery service were not for this extraordinary expenditure, the postal service would now be about self-sustaining. The total receipts from all sources for the fiscal year were \$133,582,624 and the total expenditures \$132,362,112, leaving a deficiency of \$1,220,512. The deficiency for the previous year was \$1,590,041. Mr. Madden says: "It is believed that as soon as the rural free delivery service is fully established the increase in the expenditures on account of that service each year will not be more than the normal increase for other items of the service, and that within a short time after rural free delivery is established the postal service will be self-supporting, a condition which has not existed since 1853."

Bristow's Report.

Extension of the rural free delivery service has resulted in an increase of 1,125 in the number of postoffices discontinued during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1904, according to the annual report. During the year there were 2,540 postoffices established and 5,587 discontinued. There was a decrease of 158 in the number of offices established. The principal cause of the increase in continuances has been the extension of the rural free delivery service.

Operation of rural mail delivery and the extension by private interests of rural telephone service has created a demand for small packages of merchandise on an order to local merchants by postal card, telephone or otherwise. The value of such packages is small and the present rate of one cent per pound, the report says, is practically prohibitive. Mr. Bristow recommends that Congress fix a rate of three cents per pound, or any fractional part thereof, on packages not exceeding five pounds, mailed in the distributing postoffice of any rural free delivery route. If this special rate were established, Mr. Bristow says it would be a great convenience to patrons and become a source of revenue to the department.

An appropriation of \$3,000,000 for the establishment of new routes will be asked by the department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1905, for the maintenance and installation of the service for the next fiscal year.

Mr. Bristow recommends to Congress that the interstate commerce law be amended so as to prohibit common carriers, by rail, telegraph and express companies, or any of their employees, from aiding and abetting in green goods or lottery swindles, or any other scheme carried on partly by mail and partly by common carriers and which is in violation of the postal laws.

CHAUNCEY F. BLACK DEAD IN PENNSYLVANIA

(By Associated Press.) YORK, Pa., December 2.—Chauncey F. Black, former Lieutenant-Governor of Pennsylvania, and a leader of the Democratic party, died at Brocks, his suburban home near this city, to-day. Death was due to Bright's disease and was entirely unexpected.

Mr. Black was descended from famous ancestry. His father, the late Judge Jeremiah S. Black, was one of the most distinguished men of his time. For many years Mr. Black was a prominent figure at Democratic State and national conventions, and aided in the drafting of platforms and the framing of party doctrines.

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Editor—Yes. When they're long, you see, I don't have to think up any other excuse for rejecting them.—Philadelphia Press.

"LAXO" for sale by all druggists.

VIRGINIA WATER TO BE EXAMINED

Improvement in Public Health Expected to Result From New Movement.

BETTER MAIL FACILITIES

Efforts Being Made to Place Richmond in Close Touch With the South.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, D. C., December 2.—Representative Lamb and Mr. J. S. Bryan were at the Postoffice Department to-day and saw Second Assistant Postmaster General Shalenger, and Third Assistant Postmaster General Madden, with regard to the improvement of mail facilities between Washington and Richmond, and between Richmond and the South. While the officials were not able to promise anything definite, Captain Lamb and Mr. Bryan were encouraged to believe that the department would take steps for the improvement of the service.

Representative Lamb said to-day he would probably not return to Richmond before the reassembling of Congress, and will be at the National this winter, as usual. Representative Maynard, who was here for several days this week, went home yesterday. The adoption of the resolution by the Committee on Rivers and Harbors, by which members of Congress not on the committee were excluded from sessions of the committee while no other appropriation bill is pending, has been formulated, and the presence of the Second District member unnecessary. The committee believes it has in its possession all the information needed in order to frame a bill designed to meet the necessities of navigation in all sections of the country.

Representative Hay, of the Seventh Virginia District, is back in Washington with his family. They are at the Bancroft, as usual. Mr. Hay, who is the leading Democratic member of the Committee on Military Affairs, said to-day he did not think the army appropriations for this year would be larger than they are at present. Mr. Hay stood like a stone wall against efforts made last year to increase the appropriations for the support of the military establishment, and while he was not wholly successful, he did succeed in cutting them down considerably. Representative Riker, who is probably the most prominent Democrat on the Naval Committee, and Representative Jones, the senior Democrat on the Committee on Insular Affairs, have been in Washington for some time with their families. Representatives Southall, Glass, Flood and Slomp will arrive to-night or to-morrow.

Virginia Springs.

An arrangement has just been completed between the United States geological survey and Dr. T. L. Watson, the recently appointed State geologist of Virginia, for co-operation in the investigation of underground waters including springs, wells and those public water supplies which are dependent on underground sources. Statistics regarding the springs, wells, and water supplies throughout the State will be collected and published in a report to be compiled by Mr. M. L. Fuller of the United States geological survey, who has charge of the collection of data concerning artesian water in the eastern half of the country. Dr. Watson will prepare a descriptive report on the occurrences and uses of the artesian waters and springs of Virginia. The preliminary investigations will be undertaken at once with the expectation that they will be completed in the latter part of the summer of 1905, so that a report may be issued before the close of that year.

Virginia is rich in artesian water resources, which await development. It is hoped that a marked improvement in the public health may follow the substitution of pure, underground water supplies for those of the shallow wells and springs now in general use.

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Gans-Rady Co.

Offer to-day the following specials in their Boys' and Children's Department:

Boys' Knee Pants Suits, worth \$3.50, at \$1.95 each.

Boys' Knee Pants Suits, worth \$4.50, at \$2.45 each.

Boys' Knee Pants Suits, worth \$5.50 and \$6.00, at \$3.45 each.

Children's Long Overcoats, worth \$6.00, at \$3.45 each.

Children's Belt Overcoats, worth \$7.50, at \$4.95 each.

Children's Reefers, worth \$5.00 and \$6.00, at \$2.95 each.

Boys' School Overcoats, worth \$6.50, at \$3.95 each.

Boys' School Overcoats, worth \$7.50 and \$8.00, at \$4.95 each.

Boys' Long Pants Suits (16 to 20 years), worth \$7.50 to \$9.00, at \$5.75 each.

Gans-Rady Company.

PRESIDENT UNABLE TO END THE BIG STRIKE

Says He Has No Authority to Interfere in Ohio Steel Troubles.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 2.—President Roosevelt to-day informed a delegation representing the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Plate Workers, that he saw no way by which he properly or legally could interfere to bring about a settlement of the strike of the union employees of the Carnegie Steel Company, of Youngstown and elsewhere, Ohio. The company is one of the constituent corporations of the United States Steel Company. President Shaffer, of the Amalgamated, was requested by the striking men to lay the matter before the President, in the hope that he might be able to suggest a means of adjustment. Mr. Shaffer was presented to President Roosevelt to-day, and the situation was discussed in detail. The President expressing his regret that the differences between the men and the employing company appeared to be not susceptible of amicable adjustment. He said, however, that he had no authority which would warrant him to interfere in the trouble, glad as he would be to see a settlement of the strike.

AGED ACTRESS DIED FROM BATH

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tending physician to be due to the shock of the cold bath.

Was Starring in "Granny."

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, December 2.—Mrs. Gilbert was the star of the play "Granny," which was staged at the Grand Central Palace, and was put before the public as a tribute to Mrs. Gilbert's long career on the stage. Mrs. Gilbert played "Granny" for three weeks in this city and when she started to tour the country, it was the intention to present the play in every city where she had played during her career, and the conclusion of the long trip she was to retire from the stage.

Anne Harley Gilbert was born at

Roche, England, on October 21, 1821. She was a graceful dancer in early life, and later became very successful in comedy.

Mrs. Gilbert was married to George Henry Gilbert, a dancer, in 1846. She visited the United States in 1848, and in 1849 made her home here. For many years she was a member of the Dally Company, her special roles being those of old women, in which she achieved very marked success. On October 21, 1894, her birthday was observed by her admirers with a special performance, a reception, and the presentation of a silver service at the Lyceum Theatre, New York. Her "Stage Reminiscences" was published in 1901.

Visible Cotton Supply.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 2.—Secretary Hoar's statement of the world's visible supply of cotton, issued to-day, shows the total visible to be 1,080,357 against 3,541,078 last week and 3,606,182 last year. The visible supply of American cotton is 3,465,587 against 3,326,078 last week and 3,005,182 last year; and of all other kinds, including Egypt, Brazil, India, etc., 588,000 against 618,000 last week and 599,000 last year.

Of the world's visible supply of cotton

there is now about half in Great Britain and another half in Egypt. The visible supply of American cotton is 3,465,587 against 3,326,078 last week and 3,005,182 last year; and of all other kinds, including Egypt, Brazil, India, etc., 588,000 against 618,000 last week and 599,000 last year.

OBITUARY.

Judge John Willoughby Kennedy

Judge John Willoughby Kennedy, of Washington, D. C., father of Mr. John P. Kennedy, State Librarian, died yesterday at 1:30 P. M. at his home, which had extended over a period of six years. Judge Kennedy had been paralyzed several times and was during the last two or three years almost helpless. He was born in 1822 at the famous "Castles" in Jefferson county, then Virginia, now West Virginia. He was educated at the University of Virginia, where he was a member of the Phi Kappa Phi. He was admitted to the bar in Philadelphia, when he accidentally shot himself while hunting. He promptly returned from surgery to law and graduated at the University of Pennsylvania. Before the war, when West Virginia was Virginia, he was judge of the Fifth Judicial Circuit of Virginia. His father was Andrew Kennedy, founder of "Castles," the splendid home, which so often sheltered Washington Irving, John Philip Kennedy, Philip Pendleton Cooke and John Estlin Cooke as its guests. Judge Kennedy is survived by his wife.

who well remembers Irving in the old days, and the following children: Misses Alice, Mary, Anne and Elizabeth Kennedy, and Mr. John P. Kennedy, Virginia Librarian.

The interment will be made Monday at

Charleston, W. Va.

During State Librarian's absence, Mr. Edward S. Evans, his assistant, will have charge of the library.

Samuel Steinlein.

Mr. Samuel Steinlein died at his home, No. 304 E. Marshall street, yesterday in the fifty-eighth year of his age. He had been in failing health for several years, possibly due to close confinement to business. He had been a bookkeeper for thirty years and served faithfully, first with C. P. Stokes & Co., and then with the Stephen Putney Shoe Company until about three years ago, when failing health forced his retirement.

He was a member of Gesangverein Virginia and formerly well known in musical circles of Richmond. He was a consistent member of the German Reformed Church; a man of strictest integrity and beloved by all who knew him.

He was the only son of Samuel and Barbara Steinlein and leaves a devoted widow and two daughters—Misses Alene and Mary Steinlein, and one sister, Miss Mary Ziecker, who is a teacher in Leigh Street School.

The funeral notice will be published later.

Captain Frederick Arhart.

Captain Frederick Arhart, a well known and highly esteemed farmer and a hero of two wars, died early yesterday morning at his residence, in Lower Henrico county.

Captain Arhart was a Prussian, and served through the Austro-Prussian and the Franco-Prussian Wars with distinction. After the Franco-Russian War he was promoted to Inspector-General. Captain Arhart came to this country shortly after the Civil War and made his home in Washington for a number of years; then he moved a few miles below this city, where he has resided with his family. Deceased is survived by his widow, four sons—Messrs. George, Frederick, Randolph and Arthur, and one daughter—Mrs. J. Eddie Roberts, all of whom are in the city.

Charles M. Shumann.

Charles M. Shumann, eldest son of Mr. Julius Shumann, a well known citizen of Richmond, died yesterday at his residence in Jamaica, Long Island, after a brief illness. Deceased was in the forty-sixth year of his age. The funeral services will take place at Jamaica at 2 P. M. Sunday.

Lucy E. Illingsworth.

Mrs. Lucy E. Illingsworth, a well known and esteemed lady, died at 6:30 o'clock yesterday evening at the residence of her son, Mrs. Mary J. Gross, No. 314 Church Street. The funeral services will take place from the residence of Mrs. Gross to-morrow afternoon at three o'clock.

W. H. Tompkins.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) FREDERICKSBURG, Va., Dec. 2.—Mr. William Henry Tompkins, of Moline, Iowa, died suddenly last night of heart disease, at the home of his nephew, Dr. J. Edward Tompkins, where he was visiting. The deceased was 61 years old, and served in the Confederate army during the war between the States. He spent his early life in Spotsylvania county, but after the war was engaged in business. He came here several weeks ago and has been visiting relatives and friends. He was on the street yesterday and was apparently in his usual health. He is survived by a widow and one daughter, of Des Moines; one brother, Mr. Fleming Tompkins, of Iowa; and a sister, Mrs. F. M. Tompkins, of this city. The interment will be made here.

Mrs. M. C. Dobbins.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) BOWLING GREEN, Va., Dec. 2.—Mrs. M. C. Dobbins, widow of W. D. Dobbins, died Tuesday morning at the home of J. J. Williams, near Milford, in the 81st year of her age. She formerly lived in Spotsylvania county. Her last years were spent with her daughter, Mrs. J. J. Williams.

She leaves two children: Mrs. J. J. Williams, of near Milford, and Mrs. George W. Copley, of Washington, D. C.

Deaths Reported Yesterday.

Deaths reported yesterday were:

WILLIAM W. Wash, female, aged 26 years.

Mr. 705 1-2 West Clay Street.

Jeremiah Sullivan, male, aged 71 years.

Swansboro, Va.

Dr. A. Weaver, male, aged 28 years.

and 3 months, Staunton, Va.

DEATHS.

SCHUMANN.—Died, at his residence in Jamaica, L. I., CHARLES M. SCHUMANN, 46 years of age, on Dec. 2, 1904, at 12:15 A. M.

Funeral will take place at Jamaica, SUNDAY at 2 P. M.

ILLINGSWORTH.—Died, at the residence of her son, Mrs. Mary J. Gross, at 6:30 P. M., December 2, Mrs. LUCY E. ILLINGSWORTH.

Funeral from the above residence TO-MORROW at 3 P. M.

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